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DETAILED ACTIONS

1. Applicant and the assignee of this application are required under 37 CFR 1.105 to provide the following information that the examiner has determined is reasonably necessary to the examination of this application.
2. The specification on page 5, lines 16-19, stating “use of this highly effective packaging system has allowed exemption from U.S. hazardous materials shipping regulations for the assignee’s currency theft protection devices” and on page 8, lines 22-27, stating “The effectiveness of the system and method of the exemplary embodiment herein has been analytically proven and is fully recognized by the appropriate regulatory agencies, resulting in an exemption from hazardous shipping regulations by the U.S. DOT through issuance of appropriate EX-Number that prescribes use of the exemplary spun bond polyolefin packaging system disclosed herein” have proven that the claimed subject matter has been known and used by others.
3. In response to this requirement, please provide answers to each of the following interrogatories eliciting factual information:
 - A. What is the Ex-Number issued by the U.S. DOT that describes use of exemplary spun bond polyolefin packaging system?
 - B. Provide any and all information related to applicant’s request for the exemption identified by the above Ex-Number, including dates of use, dates of submission, etc.
 - C. When was the issuance of the Ex-Number by the U.S. DOT?

D. When was such spun bond polyolefin packaging system first used in shipping hazardous material? Describe all prior uses of the claimed invention and provide any documentation supporting such uses.

4. In responding to those requirements that require copies of documents, where the document is a bound text or a single article over 50 pages, the requirement may be met by providing copies of those pages that provide the particular subject matter indicated in the requirement, or where such subject matter is not indicated, the subject matter found in applicant's disclosure.

5. The fee and certification requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 are waived for those documents submitted in reply to this requirement. This waiver extends only to those documents within the scope of this requirement under 37 CFR 1.105 that are included in the applicant's first complete communication responding to this requirement. Any supplemental replies subsequent to the first communication responding to this requirement and any information disclosures beyond the scope of this requirement under 37 CFR 1.105 are subject to the fee and certification requirements of 37 CFR 1.97.

6. The applicant is reminded that the reply to this requirement must be made with candor and good faith under 37 CFR 1.56. Where the applicant does not have or cannot readily obtain an item of required information, a statement that the item is unknown or cannot be readily obtained may be accepted as a complete reply to the requirement for that item.

7. This requirement is subject to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.134, 1.135 and 1.136 and has a shortened statutory period of 2 months. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

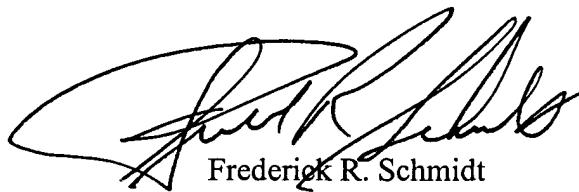
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8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Louis K. Huynh whose telephone number is 571-272-4462. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F from 9:30AM to 5:00PM.

9. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rinaldi I. Rada can be reached on 571-272-4467. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

10. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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